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General Post Office,
2th September

NOTICE

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T. A. HARRIS,
Agent.
Hongkong, October 7, 1890.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, by order of His Excellency Sir Richard Graves MacDonnell, that henceforward, the rates of Postage chargeable on Packets of Printed Papers or Patterns of light weight sent from Hongkong to the United Kingdom either forwarded via Southampton will be as follows:

For a Packet not exceeding one ounce in weight, 2 cents
For a Packet above one ounce and not exceeding two ounces, 4 cents
And double those rates when forwarded via Marseilles.

Packets of greater weight than two ounces will remain subject to the same rates as now chargeable, viz.,—
6 cents for every four ounces when forwarded via Southampton;
and 12 cents for every four ounces when forwarded via Marseilles.

This alteration will apply to Printed Circulars, Price Lists, Market Reports and all printed papers other than Newspapers as well as to Books and Trade patterns or samples.

E. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 12th August, 1890.

It is hereby notified for general information that under the Provisions of a Treasury Warrant which will come into operation on the 1st October next, correspondence addressed to Government will be transmitted at the following reduced Rates of Postage, which must be paid in advance, viz.—

FOR LETTERS,—
20 cents each half-an-ounce weight or Newspaper, PACKETS OF PATTERNS,

AND BOOKS,—
2 cents each two ounces up to half-pound, and 4 shuns for every additional half-pound.

E. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1890.

It is hereby notified for general information that the Contract between the Government of Mauritius and the Union Steam-Ship Company, for the conveyance of Mails once a month between Ceylon and Mauritius, and between Mauritius and Aden, having terminated, the corresponding Office in the Mail for Aden, from the French Mail packets leaving Aden for the Union and Mauritius on the 23rd of each month.

No Alteration has been made in the payment of postage and correspondences addressed to Mauritius.

As the communication with Natal and Cape of Good Hope is thus cut off, the correspondence for those Colonies, unless remarked to be forwarded by Private Ship, will, in future, be sent in the Mails for Aden at the following rates of Postage, which must be paid in advance, viz.:—

On Letters sent by way of Southampton, 40 cents each \$ oz, then sent by way of Marseilles, 54 " "
Newspaper via Southampton, 4 " "
Packets via Marseilles, 6 " "
Book Packets via Southampton, 10 " , under 4 lbs., 20 cents, above 4 lbs. and not exceeding 8 lbs., and 20 cents for every additional 8 lbs.

Book Packets via Marseilles, 14 cents below 4 lbs.; 20 cents above for and not exceeding 8 lbs.; and 28 cents for every additional 8 pounds.

E. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster-General.

Civil Post Office, Hongkong,
9th September, 1890.

Post-Office Notifications

9.—Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment in the Country in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order is included in the Postmaster's Office in which it was drawn; in such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

10.—In the event of a Money Order misissued or being "lost," a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, (containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission) to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

11.—On the receipt of a stop payment of a Money Order, or to renew a Lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the first case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

12.—But when it is desired that an error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected or that the amount of a Money Order should be repaid to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, the Commission must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of each Colony. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it has reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

13.—Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Fifth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission will be deducted from the amount of the Order, will be charged) will become necessary.

15.—If an Order be not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn, for instance, if drawn in January, and not paid before the end of the following January, all claim to the Money will be forfeited, unless, under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If a wrong payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony in which the negligence occurs will, if he so fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will order the propriety of issuing the Commission, and will decide the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command,
F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1868.

REGISTRATION OF LETTERS AND POOR PACKET SYSTEMS EXTENDED TO THE COAST PORTS OF CHINA AND JAPAN.

It is hereby notified for general information, by Order of His Excellency Sir Richard Graves MacDonnell, that the system of registration has been, from this date, extended to letters and other descriptions of correspondence transmitted by the Post, in the Mails by both the British Consular and by Private Ships, between this Office and each Agency thereof in China and Japan, viz: Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Higo, and Yokohama, and also between any two of these Agencies.

The fee for registration is 8 cents: each letter or card.

No Letter, Book, or Packet of Patterns can be registered unless the full postage upon it, as well as the registration fee, be paid in advance in postage stamps.

Letters, &c., for registration will be accepted up to an hour before the time fixed for closing the Mails.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 13th October, 1869.

It is hereby notified for general information, by Order of His Excellency Sir Richard Graves MacDonnell, that hereafterward Book Packets, and Packets of Patterns or Samples of Merchandise, may be transmitted through the Post by the Mails made up to be forwarded both by the British Consular Packets and by Private Ships, between this Office and each Agency thereof in China and Japan, viz: Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Higo, and Yokohama, and also between any two of these Agencies, at the following rates of postage, which must be paid in advance, viz:—

Not exceeding 4 oz.,	8 cents.
Above 4 oz., and not exceeding 8 oz.,	12 "
Above 8 oz., and not exceeding 1 lb.,	24 "
Above 1 lb., and not exceeding 4 lb.,	36 "
Every additional 1 lb.,	12 "

Special attention is directed to the following rules and regulations which will be strictly enforced:—

AS BOOKS AND BOOKS.

A Book Packet may contain any number

Prints, and any quantity of paper, vellum or parchment, or the contents of seal-tickets whether sealed or open; and the Books, Maps, Papers, &c., may be either printed, written or plain, or any mixture of the three.

All legitimate binding, mounding or covering of the same or of a portion thereof, with or without leather, such binding be loose or attached; as also rollers if the case of prints, markers (whether of paper or otherwise), in the case of Books, and in short whatever is necessary for the safe carriage of any literary or artistic matter or usually appertaining thereto.

Every Book or other printed matter without a cover, or in a cover open at the ends or sides.

It must not contain any letter, open or sealed, nor any sealed enclosure whatever; the name and address of the sender is however not only permitted but recommended, so that if the cover, name, or for any other reason the packet cannot be forwarded, the sender must accept of the loss.

It must not exceed two feet in length, breadth or depth; exceeding these dimensions it cannot be forwarded through the Post.

AS REGARDS PATTERNS.

They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its mere use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value.

There must be no writing or marks other than the address of the person for whom the packet is intended and that of the sender, a trade mark and numbers, and prices of the articles; otherwise the Packet will be detained or forwarded charged as an unpaid letter.

The Patterns must be sent in covers open at the ends, so as to be easy of examination. Samples, however, of seeds, drugs, and so forth, which cannot be sent in open covers, may be enclosed in bags of linen or other material, tied at the neck; bags so closed that they cannot readily be opened, even although they be transparent, must not be used for this purpose. Non-compliance with this rule will also subject the packet to be detained or forwarded as an unpaid letter.

The Patterns or the contents thereof must not contain any inclosure sealed or otherwise closed against detection.

In all other respects the general regulations of the Book Post between Hongkong and the United Kingdom will apply to the Pattern Post. Under these regulations, in order to prevent any interruption to the regular transmission of letters, a Packet of Patterns may, when it is necessary, be kept open for the following Mail by which, in ordinary course, it would be forwarded. The detention of the Pattern Packet is subject to the eligibility of any Packet, pattern or sample contained therein, to be forwarded under these regulations, will be final and conclusive.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post, and a packet containing any article of the kind will be stopped and sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz. Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, compasses, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, measuring instruments, samples of materials, samples of glass, samples of bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and counterfeits of all kinds.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, October 13, 1869.

CHAIR AND BOAT HIRE.

The following Regulations for Street-Chairs and Coolies, bear date Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 2nd April, 1869.

There are two Classes of Street Chairs, Ordinary and Special.

All Street-Chairs may carry persons who have engaged them up to any hour, but Ordinary Chairs may not ply for hire after 8 P.M. (8 P.M.), nor Special Chairs after midnight.

As Special Chairs are secured for a higher sum (\$20) than Ordinary Chairs (\$20), it is for the interest of the Public to engage only the former after sundown.

Each Street-Chair carries a Number, and as do two Coolie Badges each, bearing the same Number as the Chair.

The Numbers and Coolies' Badges of Special Chairs are White, (1 to 200).

The Numbers and Coolies' Badges of Ordinary Chairs are Blue, (201 to 700).

When ground of Complaint arises against any Street Chair-Coolie, the person aggrieved may either hand the offender over to the Police, or send a memorandum of the complaint and, the Chair's Number to the Registrar General.

When Street Chair-Coolies are suspected having retained missing property, the number of their Chair should be sent to the Registrar General at once without any delay as time.

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Author's Preface.

Most persons whose avocations or studies are unconnected even remotely with Chinese subjects are wont to profess the need of a convenient manual of reference for the purpose of determining dates according to either the European or the Chinese method of computation; and a system of comparison for the names attributed to years, months, and other periods is also frequently desideratum with translators and students of Chinese literature. The compiler of the following tables has thought, accordingly, that their publication in a convenient form may prove useful, although much yet remains to be done for the elaboration of comparative calendars, etc. that would leave nothing to be desired. With the exception of the Cyclical Table of Years, and the Table of Solar Terms, both of which were originally compiled by Dr. Williams, and afterwards republished with improvements in Williams' Commercial Guide, from which the whole of the material here is now copied, the whole of the material assembled in the following pages is for the first time made accessible to general reference.

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The author in his Preface says:—"The tables in Chap. VII., for estimating prices, measurement of goods, exchanges, &c. have been selected from those constantly in use among the foreign merchants in China for the preceding years, the prices of tea in dollars or pence have been copied from the more extended tables, by the kind permission of the author, P. Loureiro, Esq. The section of the same chapter on 'Movements in Bullion' has been prepared and furnished for the Guide by Patrick R. Carpenter, Esq., of the Commercial Bank of Hongkong, who has had much experience in the exchanges and movements of the precious metals in Eastern Asia.

The Appendix of Sailing Directions has been reprinted from the 'China Pilot,' with short interruptions, the coast from Hongkong to Hakodadi is all described in it, and for the Chinese coast, the Directions have been improved by the insertion of the Chinese characters for the names of places that could be ascertained."

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